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Application No.: 10/686,565) Examiner: J.T. Nguyen
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Each document listed in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a Search Report from the European Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

Copies of the listed foreign patent documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 and returning the form with the next communication from the Office.

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